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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are deeply
3 saddened to learn of the death of Ken J. McNatt, who died on
4 September 4, 2012, at the age of 91; and

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WHEREAS, Ken McNatt was born and grew up in Loveland,
6 Colorado; he joined the Navy in 1942, following the attack on
7 Pearl Harbor, and became a naval pilot in the Pacific theater;
8 he received the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Purple Heart,
9 six Air Medals, the Navy Commendation, the Navy Unit
10 Commendation, and American, Asiatic Pacific Campaign, and
11 World War II victory medals; and

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WHEREAS, Ken McNatt finished college after the war,
13 receiving his degree from Denver University in 1948; he began
14 working in sales for the Exxon Corporation, retiring in 1983;
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WHEREAS, Ken McNatt moved to Wheaton in 1965, and began a
17 lifetime of public service which included: president of the
18 Arrowhead Homeowners Association, precinct committeeman for 12
19 years, Milton Township trustee for 16 years, founding
20 chairperson for the Milton Township Seniors and Law Enforcement
21 Together (SALT), and member of the Warrenville VFW Post 8081;
22 his most beloved work was serving with the Warrenville Fire

1 Protection District for over 36 years, where he transformed the
2 unit from a solely volunteer fire protection agency to a modern
3 blend of volunteers and staff, with modern equipment to meet
4 the needs of a growing community; and

5 WHEREAS, Ken McNatt has received numerous awards
6 throughout his years of public service including the Illinois
7 State TRIAD Award (2002), the Milton Township Achievement Award
8 (2002), the Wheaton Good Citizen Award (2009), the Illinois
9 Department Veterans Affairs' "Veteran of the Month" (September
10 2011), the Milton Township Appreciation Award (2012), and the
11 Trustee Emeritus, Warrenville Fire Protection District (2012);
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13 WHEREAS, Ken McNatt is survived by his wife of 58 years,
14 Dolores; his daughters, Gwen (Chuck Enokian) McNatt and Mary
15 Helen (Bob) Gibson; his 6 grandchildren; his great-grandchild;
16 and his three nieces and a nephew; therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL
18 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
19 Ken McNatt, and we extend our sincere condolences to his
20 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
21 further

22 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to the family of Ken McNatt as an expression of our
2 deepest sympathy.